REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims as presented above are now in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121. As stated in the Office Communication, since the amendment submitted July 22, 2004 appears to be bona fide, and since this submission is filed before the time period set to expire on November 13, 2004, no fee is required.

Applicants respectfully conclude that the claims as amended are in condition for allowance, and earnestly request that the claim amendment be entered, and that the claims be promptly allowed. If for any reason the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned Attorney for Applicants at (415) 981-2034.

Respectfully submitted,

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